

FAST FACTS

- GRADES: 6-8 Middle
- ATTENDANCE AREA: N. Charleston Area
- SCHOOL ENROLLMENT: 820
- NUMBER OF CERTIFIED STAFF: 65
- CERTIFIED STAFF RETENTION RATE: 60%
- PERCENTAGE OF CERTIFIED STAFF WITH ADVANCED DEGREES: 45%
- AVERAGE NUMBER OF YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE: 16



Teacher Superlatives

NWMS Cheerleaders



Our Vision

We, the Nighthawks, of Northwoods Middle School, will collaborate to create a community of lifelong learners, who communicate effectively, think creatively, accept challenges, and exhibit self-discipline to form a positive learning environment that embraces diversity.



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Northwoods Middle School

Annual
School Improvement Council
2017-2018



“Excellent is Our Standard”

Dr. Colleen Knauer, Principal
Ms. Sandra Riepke, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Lashawna Watkins, Assistant Principal
Mr. James Tomasello, Assistant Principal

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Charleston >excellence is our standard
County SCHOOL DISTRICT



**Teacher of the Year &
Rookie Teacher of the Year
Ms. Wood & Mr. Matos**



**Our Principal, Dr. Knauer, accepting
"Our School Rocks Award."**

Message from SIC Committee

Northwoods Middle School is helping all students develop the world class skills needed for life and the characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe, caring, and academically challenging learning environment. Northwoods Middle School continues to make gains in student achievement by providing opportunities for high school credits, reading interventions, reading enrichment, and multiple extra curricular activities. Additionally, our teachers are always seeking to learn new and effective strategies to use in the classrooms by attending weekly PDs.

We not only continue to make great progress academically, but we have also made huge strides in changing the climate and culture of the school. We can proudly say that our students and staff are amazing. The students overcome numerous obstacles and the staff works tirelessly to help the students of Northwoods Middle School reach their full potential.

The faculty, staff, and members of the School Improvement Council, believe that the school, family, and community must share the educational responsibility of all of our students. We are confident that if we work together, our students will have the appropriate foundation and support in order to achieve academic success, not only at Northwoods Middle School, but also throughout their educational careers. Thank you for all of your support in helping develop our future leaders.

Dr. Colleen Knauer
Principal

Mrs. Dixon, SIC Chair

Nighthawks SOAR with PRIDE

Decreased Out of School Suspension

Increased report card growth rating

Excellent rating opportunities in the arts

HS credit courses now offered

Spanish

Eng I

Alg I

CTE

Decreased student retention rate

Increased Parental Involvement

Parenting Partners

Parent Powerschool Classes

Increased Community Partnerships

Community in Schools

Heritage Keepers Partnership

Lowcountry Food Bank

Increased mentoring programs for students and families

